

MORNING WORSHIP

September 22, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Prelude
Greeting

APPROACHING GOD

(Lord, may your holy name be praised in all the earth!)

- *Call to Worship *(In the bulletin)* **Psalm 2**
- *Prayer of Adoration and Invocation
- *Opening Hymn **Trinity Psalter #335**
Praise the Savior Now and Ever
- *Confession of Faith **The Heidelberg Catechism - Q 60, 61**

Q 60: How are you right with God?

Answer: *Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.*

Even though my conscience accuses me of having grievously sinned against all God's commandments and of never having kept any of them, and even though I am still inclined toward all evil, nevertheless, without my deserving it at all, out of sheer grace, God grants and credits to me the perfect satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness of Christ, as if I had never sinned nor been a sinner, as if I had been as perfectly obedient as Christ was obedient for me. All I need to do is to accept this gift of God with a believing heart.

Q 61: Why do you say that by faith alone you are right with God?

Answer: *It is not because of any value my faith has that God is pleased with me. Only Christ's satisfaction, righteousness, and holiness make me right with God. And I can receive this righteousness and make it mine in no other way than by faith alone.*

*Congregation Standing

CONFESSING OUR SINS TO GOD

(Lord, forgive us our sins according to your steadfast love.)

- God's Standard of Righteousness *(p. 1285)* **Hebrews 12:12-14**
- Prayer of Confession
- God's Grace in Christ **Isaiah 55:6-7**
- *Hymn of Thanksgiving **Trinity Psalter #159**
Abide with Me

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD

(Lord, teach us your Word, that we may walk in your truth.)

- Sermon Text *(p. 1172)* **Acts 13:13-43**
- Sermon** "A GOSPEL PROCLAMATION"

RESPONDING TO GOD

(Lord, we gladly give you our praise, our gifts, and our lives.)

- The Giving of Tithes and Offerings
- *Hymn of Response **Trinity Psalter #170**
God, in the Gospel of His Son
- Prayer of Intercession

COMMUNING WITH CHRIST

(Lord, form Christ in us so that we would reflect your glory.)

- The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
- *Closing Hymn **Trinity Psalter #570**
Doxology
- *Benediction

WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS: *It is a joy to have you join us in fulfilling man's highest calling, namely the worship of our holy God!*

Psalm 2

¹Why do the nations rage
and the peoples plot in vain?

²The kings of the earth set themselves,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,

**³“Let us burst their bonds apart
and cast away their cords from us.”**

⁴He who sits in the heavens laughs;
the Lord holds them in derision.

⁵Then he will speak to them in his wrath,
and terrify them in his fury, saying,

**⁶“As for me, I have set my King
on Zion, my holy hill.”**

⁷I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, “You are my Son;
today I have begotten you.

⁸Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage,
and the ends of the earth your possession.

**⁹You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”**

¹⁰Now therefore, O kings, be wise;
be warned, O rulers of the earth.

¹¹Serve the LORD with fear,
and rejoice with trembling.

**¹²Kiss the Son,
lest he be angry, and you perish in the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.
Blessed are all who take refuge in him.**